

DD/S 68-0652

MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director-Comptroller

SUBJECT : Inspector General's Report of Survey of the Office of Finance

REFERENCE : Memo dtd 28 Nov 67 for DD/S fr Ex. Dir.-Compt., same subj

1. This memorandum is for your information. It forwards comments on the Inspector General's Survey of the Office of Finance.

2. The report reflects the comprehensive character of the Inspector General's Survey and in consonance with its recommendations will result in a variety of changes and improvements in the Office of Finance. A number of the changes will take a certain period of time to accomplish since they are fairly fundamental in nature and a considerable element of detail must be acted upon to make the changes effective. It should be noted in the Survey report that certain observations and opinions are expressed by members of the Survey team, by individuals within the Office of Finance, and by some of the "customers" outside of the Office of Finance. These observations and opinions should be considered as individual viewpoints and should not be considered or reflected as the position and policy of the Director of Finance.

While these comments are helpful as guidance in reflecting a flavor of opinion, I think we should keep in mind that they should be maintained in this context.

as reported by individuals contacted during the survey.

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3. The Inspector General's recommendations have been considered in depth. The paragraphs which follow contain comments relating specifically to each recommendation.

Recommendation No. 1

The Deputy Director for Support cause to be issued a revision of Agency Regulation [] Organization, Office of Finance, assigning to the Director of Finance those responsibilities and authorities agreed among the Deputy Directors as being properly his, specifically to include financial analysis as one of the principal elements of his mission.

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Remarks:

A good report.

I have made a change on page 1, paragraph 2.

Also a rewrite of the paragraph on page 8 per the attached substitute language. I did this to soften the effect but at the same time maintain the force of my position and argument.

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9 February 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Plans

SUBJECT : Inspector General's Report of Survey
of the Office of Finance

1. In his recent routine survey of the Office of Finance, the Inspector General recommended that action be taken to ensure that all personnel assigned Class B and Class C finance duties are vetted for suitability and qualified by training or experience. I believe we can together achieve some improvements.

2. The Overseas Candidate Review Panel (OCRP) can assist by considering suitability to handle funds as it routinely reviews candidates who will be assigned such duties at these posts. I have requested the Director of Personnel, whose representative chairs the Panel and who is responsible for reviewing its findings, to initiate mechanical arrangements to accomplish this objective.

3. While I do not believe we have a widespread problem concerning qualifications of these assignees, the IG Survey stimulated a review of the present procedures. It appears that the system might be strengthened in a number of ways. The Clandestine Services positions involving finance duties to which "D" personnel are assigned should be specifically identified so that the qualifications of nominees can be verified prior to approval. Reissuance and updating of [redacted] dated 24 May 1960, would seem advisable. The Director of Personnel, the Director of Finance, and appropriate officers of your Directorate can readily work out the details.

4. I feel certain that you agree with the importance of each of the above objectives, and it would be appreciated if you would so advise your staff officers.

SIGNED R. L. Bannerman
R. L. Bannerman
Deputy Director
for Support

cc: Director of Finance
Director of Personnel

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